

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (978) 341-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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MARKED UP VERSION OF AMENDMENTSSpecification Amendments Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(iii)

Replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 3 through 10 with the below paragraph marked up by way of bracketing and underlining to show the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph.

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/507,773, filed on February 18, 2000, which is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 08/776,207, filed on June 23, 1997 (371[c]), which is the U.S. National Phase of International Application PCT/US95/09172, filed on July 19, 1995, which [claims priority to] is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/441,629, filed on May 15, 1995 (now U.S. Patent 5,766,923), which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Application No. 08/279,217, filed on July 22, 1994 (now U.S. Patent 5,573,944). The teachings of U.S. Application Nos. 09/507,773 and 08/776,207 are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.